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FM AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3658

INFO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE SECURITY FORCES: NO RANK; NO PAY; NO JOY

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1. NOTICIAS OF JULY 5 CARRIED EXCERPTS OF SPEECH GIVEN BY
FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL WHILE VISITING MOZAMBIQUE
POLICE CORPS (CPM) INSTALLATIONS JULY 3. IN SPEECH, MACHEL
EMPHASIZED ALL CPM OFFICIALS HAVE EQUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND
DO NOT NEED STRIPES TO DIFFERENTIATE RANK AND RESPONSIBILITY.
MACHEL ALSO TOLD THE POLICE THEY WOULD AT FIRST HAVE TO WORK
WITHOUT SALARY BUT WOULD BE PROVIDED ESSENTIALS: "THERE IS NO
MONEY HERE. WILL YOU MANUFACTURE MONEY? WHERE WILL WE FIND
MONEY THEN? RENT MOZAMBIQUE AGAIN TO THE COLONIALISTS? WE WILL
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FIRST BUILD A SOLID ECONOMY WHICH WILL CREATE SALARIES. WE

HAVE TO CREATE OUR OWN SALARIES, BY WORKING, ISN'T THAT SO?
YOU HAVE A DORMITORY, CLOTHING FOR COLD AND HOT WEATHER, FOOD,
TRANSPORTATION -- WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED?"

2. COMMENT: MACHEL'S SPEECH SHOWS HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT
DISSATISFACTION IN THE RANKS OF THE MILITARY AND POLICE AT THE
ABSENCE OF SALARIES. (THIS IS FIRST INDICATION WE HAVE THAT
POLICE ARE NO LONGER BEING PAID. FRELIMO MILITARY HAS NEVER
BEEN PAID.) WITH ALL THE CONSPICUOUS CONSUMPTION AND ATTRACTIONS
OF THE CITY AROUND THEM, IT IS ONLY NATURAL THAT SECURITY
FORCES WOULD BE DISPLEASED AT LACKING THE WHEREWITHAL TO ENJOY
THEMSELVES -- A SITUATION MACHEL APPEARS AWARE (SEE REFTTEL)
COULD MAKE THEM SUSCEPTIBLE TO BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION. WE HAVE
ALSO HEARD THAT SOME OF THE OLD-TIME FRELIMO GUERRILLAS BROUGHT
IN EARLY DAYS OF THE MTG FROM THE NORTH TO SERVE IN LOURENCO
MARQUES AND OTHER URBAN CENTERS ARE DISGRUNTLED BECAUSE THEY
HAVE BEEN REPLACED BY NEW, MORE URBANIZED RECRUITS AND SENT
BACK TO THE BUSH. SPREADING OF DISSAFFECTION AMONG THE SECURITY
FORCES COULD ENCOURAGE FACTIONALISM WITHIN FRELIMO AND THE
PRM REGIME.
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